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Reorganization of Rural Schools

Among the new laws enacted affecting schools is one to create a non-partisan County School Board of five members, elected from the county at large, with authority, to establish districts, appointed County Superintendents and teachers, fixing minimum school rates at 25 cents and minimum salary for County Superintendent of \$1,200 00.

The law has also been amended to establish a minimum salary of \$75 00 per month for public school teachers.

This is more than double the minimum salary in many of the counties. All cities have made provision for increasing salaries also.

Another provision is to establish an educational survey of the schools of the State, appropriating \$10,600.00. This survey is to be made by non-resident experts, and is to include all educational institutions of the State supported wholly, or in part, by public funds.

A proposed Constitutional amendment is to be voted on so the State Superintendent may be appointed instead of elected, and if elected may succeed himself. At present the State Superintendent cannot succeed himself, no difference how efficient he may be.

Bowen School Closed

Bowen school closed Friday, 26 with examination of pupils which resulted as follows: Gen. average Myrtle Miller, 90; Emma Crowe, 89; Celia Knox, 87; Charlie Bowen, 90; John Bowen 88; Delmus Bowen, 86; Mort Bowen, 84; Sallie Burris, 90; Opal Bowen, 89; Bonnie Holmes, 89; Annie Crabtree, 87; Florence Knox, 87; Ethel Knox, 81; Ganett Skidmore, 91; English Bowen, 84; James Burris, 81; Woodford Bowen, 73. Average deportment of entire school, 90 1/2.

Several pupils did not take examination. F. P. Tracy, Teacher.

Work Begins on Garage

The Clay City Motor Company has broken ground for the construction of their new garage on the corner where W. R. Casady had his fur shop. This building has been torn away and will be replaced with a garage 36X60 feet. Work will be pushed to completion as they contemplate opening for business by the first of May.

More Garden Seed

Through the courtesy of our Congressman, J. Campbell Cantrell, all our readers can now get a supply of garden seed at the Times office. Come and get a package of seed if you have a garden. It gives the Times great pleasure to in this way aid Mr. Cantrell, in the distribution of the seed to those who want them had enough to call for them.

Easter Sunday

Sunday is Easter. Coming as it does so early, many look upon it as being an outlook for an early Spring, as it is generally regarded that with Easter passes the cold spell of early Spring.

Sunday School Officers Meet

At a meeting of the County and District Sunday School officers held on March 27 at the Stanton Presbyterian church the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved 1st: To increase the average attendance of the Sunday school of the county ten per cent. by "Go to Sunday School Day" May 2nd.

Resolved 2nd. To raise our apportionment of fifty dollars on "Go to Sunday School Day" by asking for five cents from each scholar in every school in the county.

Mr. Granville Hackworth and Mr. T. G. White were selected for a committee to assign speakers to go to different schools to encourage the ten per cent. increase in attendance on the last Sunday in April.

The next convention of District No. 2 is to be held at Hatton Creek the third Sunday in May.

Will Sell Chevrolets

The Clay City Motor Company has closed a deal whereby they will sell Chevrolet cars upon the opening of their garage in this city. The Chevrolet is fully equipped, having all the accessories that go to make a complete car, and it is very reasonable in price. This company will receive a consignment of these splendid machines about April 25th and keep them in stock, if possible. Persons interested in the purchase of a new machine this season should see one of these excellent cars before making purchase.—Adv.

Shale Men Consumate Deal

The promoters of the shale industry, who some time back took options on several tracts of land across the river looking to the organization and development of a company to put in a plant, was here yesterday and took deeds for this land. These men seem confident and so far have come up to every appointment. The people of Clay City are lending them every encouragement and the prospects for a plant of this kind now seem very flattering.

Elza Barnett Sells Small Place

Elza Barnett has sold his small farm two miles from town on the Irvine road to Otis Young for \$1,650. Possession April 1st. Mr. Barnett will move to his farm on the hill, near the place he sold, that he bought last winter from Carter Reynolds and fix him up a nice home there.

Influenza About Run its Course

The new cases of influenza are very few, and it is the belief of many of the M. D's. that it has about run its course. They do not anticipate a serious return of the disease again. All are hoping these doctors are correct in their prediction.

Fiscal Court to Meet

The Powell Fiscal court will convene Tuesday morning for their semi-annual meeting to pass upon claims of those who have any against the county.

Considerable rain has fallen today which means ground too wet to farm, a big river and mud in the roads.

W. G. Frazier Dies in Hospital

W. G. Frazier died Wednesday in a Lexington hospital after having undergone an operation there for passing gallstones. Mr. Frazier became suddenly ill Monday and was taken Tuesday to the hospital. The body was brought to Stanton yesterday evening and will be buried tomorrow in Stanton cemetery with Masonic honors. He is survived by widow, who was before marriage a Miss Lowe, and several children.

Mr. Frazier has served two terms as County Clerk, and was being freely mentioned as a prospective candidate for County Judge. Mr. Frazier was very popular and will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Swope Passes Away

Mrs. Richard Swope died at her home on Hardwick's Creek. Burial at the Wells graveyard Tuesday. Before her marriage she was Miss Etherlem Daniel, who is the last of the older Daniel generation. A husband and two children survive.

Roads Improved

The roads in this part of the county were possibly never better at this season of the year. The dry weather the past two weeks is responsible for the change.

Motoring, as a consequence, is freely indulged in, and gladly does spring seem near.

Fishing Season Here

The nimrods are looking for a can of bait and hiking to the river. We guess it will be like it usually is with many of them when they go, probably catch a six inch fish and a six months attack of rheumatism.

Lombard Entertainers

The Lombard Entertainers, who will appear here on the Lyceum course Saturday evening, April 10th, are being enthusiastically acclaimed everywhere. They will give a program which is both entertaining and artistic.

The program is given by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lombard and consists of solos, duets and reading together with costumed sketches. It is most novel and unique.

A feature of the entertainment is the singing of the Armourer's song from "Robin Hood" with Mr. Lombard appearing as a blacksmith with apron and working tongs on and striking blows with a hammer so connected with an electric wire that real sparks are produced. Another feature is the rendering by Mr. and Mrs. Lombard of a group of old time songs.

Mrs. Lombard gives a number of readings among which is a cutting from Booth Tarkington's "Seventeen."

Either Mr. or Mrs. Lombard or both of them are continually on the stage and do so much and all in such a clever and unique manner that their program here is such to constitute one of the strong attractions on the Lyceum course.

In Scott county on Christmas day 1916, two boys, aged twenty and eighteen, were illegally sold some liquor. They got drunk, fell out over politics, and one unconsciously killed the other and for this crime was sentenced to the electric chair where he awaited execution for 2 1/2 years when this week his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. What a pity the boy cannot be liberated and the man who sold the boys the liquor put in his place.

The frequency of such occurrences as above is why liquor went out, and the path of the bootlegger strewn with thorns.

Personal Paragraphs

R. P. Rose, of Clark county, came up yesterday.

Geo. S. Ware was in Georgetown Saturday on business.

F. G. Conlee was a business visitor in Winchester Tuesday.

Lyle Kennon spent from Saturday until Monday in Winchester.

C. C. Eaton, of Evelyn, is visiting home folks for a few days.

J. C. Fitch, of Lexington, was a business visitor in town Wednesday.

W. C. Rose spent Saturday with his brother, N. V. Rose, in Winchester.

John T. Wright, of Winchester, was a business visitor in Clay City Saturday.

H. G. Garrett, President of the Brothead Garrett Company, was here yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. O'Rear, of Winchester, visited her many friends in Clay City Tuesday.

Mrs. Myrtle J. Burgher spent the week-end with Mrs. E. D. Conlee at Kiddville.

Mrs. Mariah Rose visited her two sons, Tom and Allen Rose at Ravenna Saturday.

Granville Hackworth was in Beattyville Tuesday looking after his business interests there.

Leslie Todd, of Lexington, spent a few days the past week with his mother, Mrs. Temple Todd.

Wayland Graham, of Frankfort, was here last week visiting his relatives, the family of J. B. Eaton.

Dorris T. Mize, of Louisville, visited relatives and old friends in the city from Saturday until Monday.

Miss Ethel Mastin, of Waltersville spent Friday at the home of her uncle, Millard Bennett, at Stanton.

J. R. Stone spent a few days the first of the week in Winchester with relatives and old friends from Powell.

Miss Ethel Duncan and Harry O'Rear, of Winchester, spent the week-end with their cousin, Miss Ruth Eaton.

Miss Nellie Ware is home from Berea College with her grandmother, Mrs. Ellen McKinney, for a brief stay.

P. R. Shimfessel, of Fayette county, came up yesterday morning to see his brother, Wm. Shimfessel on Hardwick's Creek.

Mrs. Dora Meechum, of Ravenna, spent Friday with home-folks. She returned Saturday to her work in the railway yards at Ravenna.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Mackey and son, Robert, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tipton in Winchester.

Arlee Crabtree, who enlisted with the U. S. Standing army and went to Louisville for examination, failed to pass and has returned home.

STANTON.

Ab Hall, Lexington, was here Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ruse were in Lexington Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Morton visited at Lexington Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Belle Pettit, of Clay City, was here Friday on business.

Grant Frazier is suffering from a severe attack of acute indigestion.

Mrs. S. D. Hall is able to be out after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Nannie Creasy and children have taken rooms with Mrs. A. H. Norton.

Dewey Fulks left Monday for Hot Springs, Ark. to be treated for rheumatism.

William Hardwick and Jesse Kincaid are in Cincinnati this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Martin are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Chaney in the country.

Miss Margaret D. Mansfield visited her grandfather, Mr. John W. Williams, Monday.

Mrs. Minnie Forkner and daughter, Lucille, were visiting relatives in Stanton Saturday.

Jailer, William Howell is improving rapidly from a recent operation and will soon return home.

There will be services at the Christian church every 1st and 2nd Sunday. Rev. Joe Kincaid, pastor.

Lennie Crow has taken his wife to Winchester where she is being treated by a throat specialist.

Miss Anna Laura Sowell returned to her home at Jackson, Monday, after a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hardwick.

Mrs. Mollie Crawford and daughter, Martell, are visiting her sisters, Mrs. Elmer Cowgill and Miss Beattie Hardwick, at Lexington.

D. R. Clark was called to Berea on account of illness of his brother, T. H. Clark, who is very low with creeping paralysis. While there he visited P. O. Derthick who formerly lived here.

The oil well drilled several months ago on the D. R. Clark lease near the depot has been reopened and found to be filled with a fine quality of oil. Several barrels were bailed out in a short time.

Mrs. Belle Davis and two daughters, Misses Susie and Edna, of Covington, are visiting Mrs. Davis' brother, Judge A. P. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson.

The three children of W. J. Mountz, who have been with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mountz, Sr., the past two weeks, have returned to their home at Beattyville. Mrs. Mountz, their mother, also returned at the same time from the hospital at Richmond very much improved.